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does it cost to establish an SPA? All of those will be different. The out-of-pocket costs for the NRDs in establishing an SPA, in this particular instance, and I would bear in mind that it is on ground and beginning operations this year, their operational costs are budgeted at \$61,600 for the first year. After the three-year initiation fund time has went by, the ongoing operational costs are \$31,500. Should Senator Beutler's amendment be adopted...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...the people that live within that area would be able to...or could be forced, should the NRD boards decide to, 13,000 or about 14,000 dollars out of these 62,000 beginning costs, 31,000 ongoing operation. One thing we don't talk about in this particular area, and why it should be, I think, spread out across the state, is what are some of the things, costs that are going to have to be borne by the landowners within this particular SPA. And these are items that are in addition to...

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...whatever tax levy they are. And I'm reading now from the plan for the co-op funding one in south central Nebraska.

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Several excerpts. All operators of lands within an SPA are required to attend nitrogen irrigation management workshops. Each operator is required to take soil samples annually. The recommendation nitrogen fertilizer will have to be adhered to. And it is "will", not "may", or it's mandated, if you're within there, that you have to comply with the university's fertilizer recommendations. Annual reporting of specific information is required.

SPEAKER BAACK: Time, Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Time. Now proceed to Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President, members, I rise to support the